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E.O.11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: CSCE: POSSIBLE POLADS CONSULTATIONS WITH CSCE
EXPERTS IN SEPTEMBER

1. AT JULY 19 POLADS MEETING, BELGIAN REP, SUPPORTED ON
PERSONAL BASIS BY OTHERS, RECOMMENDED SCHEDULING A
POLADS MEETING WITH CSCE EXPERTS IN SEPTEMBER TO
PREPARE FOR THE NAC CONSULTATION WITH HEADS OF ALLIED
CSCE DELEGATIONS.

2. BELGIAN REP NOTED THAT THE NINE WERE SCHEDULED TO
HAVE CSCE CONSULTATIONS WITH EXPERTS AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER
1, AT POLITICAL DIRECTORS LEVEL SEPTEMBER 5-6, AND AGAIN
WITH EXPERTS SEPTEMBER 19-20. HE SUGGESTED THAT A
POLADS MEETING WITH EXPERTS COULD BE USEFULLY SCHEDULED
SEPTEMBER 2-3 OR SEPT 15-16, AND EXPRESSED PREFERENCE
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FOR LATTER DATE.

3. FRENCH REP SAID IT WAS TOO EARLY TO TAKE POSITION
ON THE ADVISABILITY OF SUCH CONSULTATIONS AT NATO.
(FRENCH HAVE ALSO RESERVED THEIR POSITION ON THE NAC
CONSULTATION WITH HEADS OF CSCE DELEGATIONS, FOR WHICH
A DATE HAS NOT YET BEEN SET.)

4. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE POLADS CONSULTATIONS WITH CSCE EXPERTS IN SEPTEMBER WOULD BE USEFUL TO REVIEW PREPARATIONS FOR BELGRADE PRIOR TO NAC CONSULTATION. PROCEDURALLY, FRENCH WILL BE ON WEAK GROUND IF THEY OBJECT TO SUCH CONSULTATION, ALTHOUGH THEY MAY CHOOSE NOT TO BE REPRESENTED BY AN EXPERT.
5. ECONADS ARE ALSO DISCUSSING SEPTEMBER CONSULTATIONS WITH CSCE EXPERTS, AND DATE OF ECONADS MEETING WILL LIKELY HINGE ON POLADS DECISION (SEE SEP TEL).
6. ACTION REQUESTED: IF POSSIBLE BY JULY 26 GUIDANCE ON US VIEWS REGARDING POLADS CONSULTATIONS WITH EXPERTS IN SEPTEMBER. BENNETT

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